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17PM-PLANE-SOVIET-2ND LEAD 4 MOSCOW

"THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THE FLIGHT WAS DIRECTED; THAT IT WAS PRE-MEDITATED," OGARKOV SAID OF THE ROUTE TAKEN BY THE BOEING 747.

THE JUMBO WAS SHOT DOWN EARLY ON THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 1 WITH THE LOSS OF ALL 269 PEOPLE ON BOARD.

"THE PLANE FLEW DIRECTLY TO THE MOST IMPORTANT MILITARY BASES OF THE SOVIET UNION," OGARKOV SAID.

"IT CHANGED ITS COURSE RADICALLY IN ORDER TO FLY OVER OUR SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES IN SOUTH SAKHALIN. THERE WAS NO DOUBT IT WAS AN INTELLIGENCE CRAFT."

INITIALLY THE SOVIET UNION SAID IT DID NOT KNOW WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO THE AIRLINER AFTER IT LEFT SOVIET AIRSPACE BUT ON TUESDAY THE GOVERNMENT SAID RUSSIAN FIGHTERS HAD TERMINATED ITS FLIGHT WITHOUT EXPLAINING HOW.

SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI GROMYKO COMPLAINED TO SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE SHULTZ OVER THE SOUTH KOREAN PLANE INCIDENT DURING THEIR TALKS IN MADRID YESTERDAY; TASS NEWS AGENCY SAID TODAY.

PRESENTING MOSCOW'S VERSION . . . (PICKING UP 2ND GRAF; PM-PLANE-SOVIET-LEAD; MOSCOW; R-084).  
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